

Date: October 2, 2019

Requestor: MuckRock News

Records Requested: Your Texas Public Information Act request received for a copy of records pertaining to: any emails, letters, memos or other records of consultations regarding public records requests (FOI/FOIL/FOIA etc.) with either the Department of Justice, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Drug Enforcement Agency components

The Harris County Sheriff's Office received the above-referenced request on August 27, 2019. This office does not have any responsive documents to the request.

Please be advised that we are closing our file on this matter.

Sincerely,
Office of Legal Services
TPIA Section

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Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 11:41 AM

To: Perez, Adriana (HCSO) <Adriana.Perez@Sheriff.hctx.net>

Subject: Texas Public Information Act Request: FBI/DOJ FOIA consult (Harris County Sheriff)

Harris County Sheriff
Texas Public Information Act Office
1200 Baker Street
Houston, TX 77002



August 27, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Texas Public Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

Copies of any emails, letters, memos or other records of consultations regarding public records requests (FOI/FOIL/FOIA etc.) with either the Department of Justice, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Drug Enforcement Agency components.

I am a member of the news media and request classification as such. I have previously written about the government and its activities, with some reaching over 100,000 readers in outlets such as Gizmodo, MuckRock, Motherboard, Property of the People, Unicorn Riot, and The Outline, among others. As such, as I have a reasonable expectation of publication and my editorial and writing skills are well established. In addition, I discuss and comment on the files online and make them available through non-profits such as the library Internet Archive and the journalist non-profit MuckRock, disseminating them to a large audience. While my research is not limited to this, a great deal of it, including this, focuses on the activities and attitudes of the government itself. As such, it is not necessary for me to demonstrate the relevance of this particular subject in advance.

As my primary purpose is to inform about government activities by reporting on it and making the raw data available, I request that fees be waived.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 10 business days, as the statute requires.